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For: HYPERCOILING POLYMERS AND THEIR USE IN CELLULAR DELIVERY

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**REQUEST**

The Examiner is requested to return a completely-initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form filed with the Information Disclosure Statement dated July 20, 2005, which includes the Examiner's initials on the left-hand column next to the listing of Weissleder, R. et al, 1999 "In vivo imaging of tumours with protease activated near infrared fluorescent probes," Nature of Biotechnology, Vol. 17, pp 375-378 which is contained in the PTO IFW as part of the previous listed and considered Tung, C-H. et al, 2000 "In-vivo imaging of proteolytic enzyme activity using a novel molecular reporter", Cancer Research, Vol. 60, pp 4953-4958. The Examiner has indicated in the Office Action dated December 20, 2006, that the Weissleder et al reference was not submitted however the same is contained in the PTO IFW as part of the scanned Tung et al document. Consideration of Weissleder et al and acknowledgement of the same by the Examiner, pursuant to MPEP § 609, are requested.

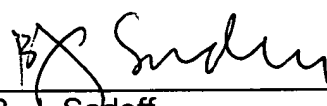
The Examiner is also requested to sign and date pages 1-5 of the PTO-1449 Form filed with the Information Disclosure Statement dated July 20, 2005, as the Examiner's signature and date considered are not included at the bottom of pages 1-5 of the noted PTO-1449 Form returned with the Office Action of December 20, 2006. A completely-initialed copy of pages 1-5 of the noted PTO-1449 Form, pursuant to MPEP § 609, is requested.

The present Request is not being filed in response to the Office Action of December 20, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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